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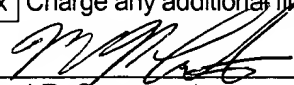
Invention: SYSTEMS AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC TOPOLOGY PROVISIONING FOR SONET NETWORKS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2005, please amend the above-identified

U.S. patent application as follows:

Amended Claim Set; and

Remarks.